Quality of unrecognised sectors of higher education

1140. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to improve quality of unrecognised sectors of higher eucation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that some colleges which are not covered under the UGC are churning out substandard graduates, and

(d) if so, the details thereof and steps taken or proposed to be taken to improve their standard of education?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE (KUMARI SELJA): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Raising of rates of fees in Delhi Colleges

1141. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the rates of fees have been raised in the affiliated colleges of the Delhi University; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is also a fact that was a strike by the students on account of this in the colleges; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by Government in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA)- (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Investment by Industry in Education

1142. SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether suggestions were made by the Finance Minister in the current Budget to the industry to make investments in the field of education;

(b) if so, whether there has been any positive response from the industry in the matter; and

(c) if so, the details of investments proposed by the industrialists?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) The Finance Act '93 has allowed 100 per cent deduction in respect of donations made by any tax payer under Section 80G of the Income Tax Act to universities and institutes of national eminence as approved by prescribed authority in this behalf. The notification amending the relevant Income Tax Rules has been only recently issued in September, 1993.

(b) and (c) Data is not available.

Culture Policy

1143. SHRI DEBABRATA BISWAS: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to modify the draft culture policy; and

(b) if so, the nature of the proposed modifications?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) An Approach paper to National Policy on Culture has been placed in both the Houses of Parliament for eliciting the views of the Hon'ble Members.